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WASHINGTON, Dec. 12 --The heretofore unidentified "top-ranking Communist" who swapped letters with Lee Harvey Oswald is a veteran revolutionary once convicted of teaching the violent overthrow of the U.S. government, He is Arnold Samuel Johnson, who, it can be revealed on excellent authority, wrote Oswald from Communist Party headquarters in New

Johnson urged Oswald to

"keep in touch" as he moved

back and forth from Dallas

The Park Cities Javenes

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ler's Orphans Home took two

wald was not under Communist discipline, they do show him to be a dedicated Marxist. Johnson was indicted in 1951, and convicted in 1953, of violating the Smith Act, The prosecution showed that Johnson was loyal to a foreign power and that he had taught the violent overthrow of the federal government. He serv-

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ed three years in prison, getting out in 1957. Johnson :- 5 mm

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orphan boys to Abilene for a two day deer hunt, Clint Frank, 2 yas not the that well - n has cl. Bob Campbell, and Greg Boss On May 1952 handled all the arrangements haired v offici. for the Jaycees. The boys schedule-Spear Colf. flew out to Abilene in a private York : w. The groplane owned by W.C. Fatn. gram host, Barry Gray and Nick Browndyke, treasurer

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Johnson letters indicate Ospal was Vincent Theodore Lee. head of the Fair Play for Cuba Committee. Lee first denied any knowledge of Oswald, who Was arrested thee for pageing out Fair Play leaflets in New Orleans

Lee then discovered in his files six letters from Oswald. and turned them over to the FBL Meanwhile, federal authorities had uncovered letlets from I seemong Oswald's

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